

**Dear Editors,**

Thank you for your decision and suggestions on our manuscript. We sincerely appreciate the time and effort you have dedicated to evaluating our manuscript. In response to your feedback, we have made the following corrections:

1. We have added data sources for the digital elevation in Fig.1. At the same time, we choose the option (b), that you can add a statement that some figures contain disputed territories.
2. We have added explanations for Fig.3 and Fig.6.
3. We have labelled Fig.7 and updated in the preceding text accordingly.
4. We clarified that “*D*” and “*F*” refer to the drought grade and famine grade of drought-affected counties in one drought events. These are different from *AD<sub>j</sub>* and *AF<sub>j</sub>*. Necessary corrections have been made.

We have uploaded the revised manuscript file. Thank you again for your valuable suggestions.

Thanks again!

Sincerely,

Authors.